

Polk County
Resolution No. -15

Resolution To Oppose Changes in Governor Walker's 2015-17 Budget Proposal Regarding Services
Currently Provided By Aging Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs).

WHEREAS, the ADRC of Northwest Wisconsin has been in operation since April 1, 2009, governed by a 13 member board consisting of 7 citizen members (tribal and non-tribal), 5 County Board members of Polk (3) and Burnett (2) counties and 1 tribal council member representative of the St. Croix Chippewa Indians, reflecting the ethnic and economic diversity of the people served by the ADRC of Northwest Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, the ADRC of Northwest Wisconsin has provided comprehensive services, in a one stop shopping experience model for individuals 60 years and older and adults with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the ADRC of Northwest Wisconsin has successfully provided a coordinated entry point for anyone interested in public or private long-term care services, reducing consumer confusion and increasing awareness of available community resources; and

WHEREAS, the ADRC of Northwest Wisconsin has made significant efforts to increase community outreach and education and provide unbiased information and a place for citizens to learn about resources related to aging or living with a disability; and

WHEREAS, the ADRC of Northwest Wisconsin has had contacts for assistance from 9,742 individuals representing 16% of Polk and Burnett Counties' combined total population; and

WHEREAS, a State of Wisconsin evaluation of the ADRC of Northwest Wisconsin showed 93% of customers have reported a positive overall experience and would recommend to others; and

WHEREAS, the ADRC of Northwest Wisconsin has a fully integrated ADRC with the inclusion of Title III Aging Programs which allows for the pull down of additional Federal funds to support the Aging Programs; and

WHEREAS, ADRC of Northwest Wisconsin provides health promotion and prevention programs to delay the reliance on state Long Term Care programs; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's 2015-2017 budget proposal includes significant changes that will affect services to those individuals 60 years of age and older and persons with disabilities including:

Resource Centers (ADRCs):

- Eliminating the requirement for ADRCs to have governing boards;
- Eliminating the first right of refusal for counties to operate a resource center;
- Allowing Department of Health Services (DHS) to contract with a private entity for all or some of the services of resource centers
- Allowing private for profit entities to provide services state-wide for the entire geographic area prescribed by DHS;

- 39 Family Care-IRIS
- 40 • Eliminating the IRIS program;
 - 41 • Redesigning family care by moving program oversight from DHS to the Office of the
 - 42 Commissioner of Insurance;
 - 43 • Eliminating the long-term advisory council;
 - 44 • Eliminating regional districts, instead contracting with companies that will operate state-
 - 45 wide;
 - 46 • Eliminating the sealed competitive bid requirement;
 - 47 • Reducing funding for personal care supports;

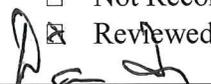
- 48 Senior Care
- 49 • Requiring participants in Senior Care to enroll in federal Medicare Part D;
 - 50 • Cutting program funding by \$15 million over the next two years; and

51 WHEREAS, Governor Walker's proposal eliminates local control of the service delivery to
52 individuals 60 years of age and older and those who have disabilities.

53 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Polk County Board of Supervisors oppose
54 the changes in Governor Walker's 2015-2017 Budget Proposal regarding the services currently
55 provided by ADRCs.

xxx *Insert Amendment*

56 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Polk County Board of Supervisors directs the
57 County Clerk to forward this resolution to: the Governor, assembly members and senators
58 representing Burnett and Polk Counties, the Wisconsin Counties Association, the Aging & Disability
59 Professionals Association of Wisconsin, the Wisconsin Advocacy Network, the Greater Wisconsin
60 Agency on Aging Resources, Disability Rights Wisconsin and the Burnett and Polk County Board of
61 Supervisors.

Funding Source/ Funding Amount:	Not Applicable
Date Reviewed as to Appropriations:	Not Applicable
Committee Recommendation as To Appropriation:	Not Applicable
Effective Date:	Upon Passage
Dated Submitted To County Board	
Submitted By:	 Supervisor Larry Jepsen
Review By County Administrator: <input type="checkbox"/> Recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Not Recommended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reviewed Only  Dana Frey, County Administrator	Review By Corporation Counsel: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved as to Form <input type="checkbox"/> Recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Not Recommended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reviewed Only  Jeffrey B. Fuge, Corporation Counsel

Amendment
"NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, the Polk County Board of Supervisors fully supports the ADRC of Northwest Wisconsin Board Resolution 01-15, as adopted by unanimous vote on April 2nd of 2015, and represented herein."

At its regular business meeting on the 21st of April 2015, the Polk County Board of Supervisors considered and acted on the above resolution, Resolution No. 11-15: Resolution To Oppose Changes in Governor Walker's 2015-17 Budget Proposal Regarding Services Currently Provided By Aging Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs), as follows:

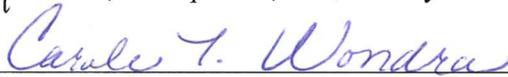
- Adopted by simple majority of the Board members by a vote of _____ in favor and _____ against.
- Adopted by unanimous vote.
- Defeated by a vote of _____ in favor and _____ against.
- Defeated by voice vote.

SIGNED BY:



William F. Johnson, Chairperson, Polk County Board of Supervisors

Attest:



Carole T. Wondra, County Clerk

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
)SS
COUNTY OF POLK)

I, Carole T. Wondra, Clerk for Polk County, do hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 11-15, that was adopted by the Polk County Board of Supervisors on April 21, 2015.

Carole T. Wondra 4-22-15
Carole T. Wondra Date